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In re. patent application of:

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For: MinK-RELATED GENES, FORMATION OF
POTASSIUM CHANNELS AND ASSOCIA-
TION WITH CARDIAC ARRHYTHMIA



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DECLARATION PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.68

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

We, Igor SPLAWSKI, a citizen of Poland, residing at 97 Chester Street, Apt. A-2, Alston, Massachusetts 02134 and Mark T. KEATING, a citizen of the United States of America, residing at 1 Mason Street, Brookline, Massachusetts 02446, declare that:

We made and conceived the invention described and claimed in patent application Serial No. 09/550,163 filed in the United States of America on 14 April 2000, titled "minK-RELATED GENES, FORMATION OF POTASSIUM CHANNELS AND ASSOCIATION WITH CARDIAC ARRHYTHMIA";

We made and conceived this invention while employed by THE UNIVERSITY OF UTAH;

That the invention is related to the work we are employed to perform and was made within the scope of our employment duties;

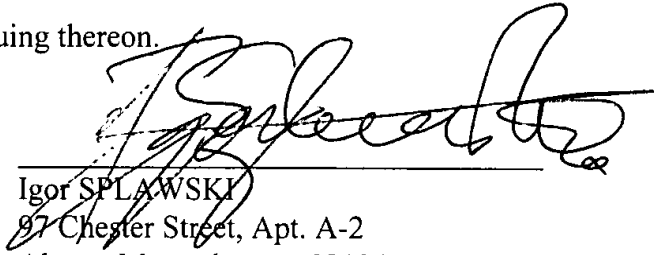
That the invention was made during working hours and with the use of facilities, equipment, materials, funds, information and services of THE UNIVERSITY OF UTAH.

That to the best of our knowledge and belief:

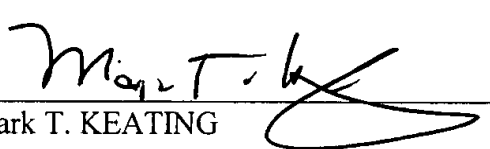
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